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# STATE OF DELAWARE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Erin Whaley, DVM, President Joanna Miller, LVT, Vice President Craig Stonesifer, DVM Danielle Downs, VMD Lisa Garrison, LVT Patricia Ennis, Public Member Ann Sellers, Public Member

# **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Devashree Brittingham Bryan Stone, Administrative Specialist II

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Whaley called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes of the January 17, 2017 meeting. Ms. Sellers made a motion to approve January minutes, seconded by Dr. Stonesifer. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### Review of Tabled Audit for Maya Aharon

The Board had questions about whether a residency can qualify as continuing education. Ms. Garrison questioned if residency programs need to be AVMA accredited and what the difference is between someone being employed and a residency. Ms. Kelly advised there is nothing in the regulations about a residency qualifying as continuing education. The Board inquired about the issue date of the license and the required continuing education credits. The Board further discussed the timeframes and why Dr. Aharon did not

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complete the required continuing education during the allotted time frames. Ms. Kelly advised the Board of their option to send Dr. Aharon's audit materials to a hearing officer for a hearing.

Dr. Stonesifer made a motion to approve sending the audit to a hearing officer, seconded by Dr. Whaley. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

# Review of Tabled Audit for Jaima Gropp

The Board reviewed the additional audit information for Jaima Gropp. Dr. Stonesifer made a motion to approve Ms. Gropp's audit, seconded by Ms. Miller. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Review of Consent Agreement for Dr. Timothy Delatte

Ms. Miller made a motion to accept the consent agreement, seconded by Dr. Stonesifer. By unanimous vote, the motion carried, with Dr. Whaley recusing herself as the contact person.

# **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence for review or discussion.

# OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSION ONLY)

# **AAVSB Vault Program**

Ms. Kelly explained how some states are using the Vault program to process applications and review credentials. The AAVSB would take over processing applications for the Board and advised there is no evidence showing that it is needed at this time. The Board discussed the timeframes and requirements for testing. Ms. Garrison stated that it is very complicated in Delaware for licensees to get approved to take the boards because of the grandfather clause and the process in place. Currently applicants have to get approved by the Board before they can take the test. Dr. Whaley proposed making a change to having the AAVSB make the licensee's eligible to test. Ms. Kelly stated that changing who processes applications are not warranted based on the number of applications received. The Board discussed how disciplinary actions are reported between states and if Delaware had a system in place. Ms. Brittingham stated that Professional Regulation does require a license verification from every state the licensee is licensed in and it is to be sent in with the initial application. Ms. Kelly will provide more information on the Vault program at a later date.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

# **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Room A.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dr. Whaley made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brvan R. Stone

Administrative Specialist II

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The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.